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REVAMPING OF DGQA
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the officers of Directorate General of Quality Assurance do not carry out the inspection of stores cautiously and vigilantly and calls for a thorough renew and revamping of DGQA in order to guarantee that the quality assurance parameters are not compromised and the services are supplied with defect free quality stores/equipments;

(b) if so, the measures taken to revamp DGQA; and

(c) the number of vigilance cases pending against DGQA officials and the number of DGQA officials proceeded against?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE PRODUCTION (RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) & (b): DGQA Organisation carries out Quality Assurance of stores with utmost caution and vigil as per governing specifications and terms & conditions of the contract. The technique of Quality Assurance, in order to maximize its effectiveness, undergoes continuous change. DGQA organization is adopting contemporary practices, to keep abreast with technology. As per contemporary Quality Management practices, input inspection hitherto carried out by DGQA has been transferred to manufacturer, namely, Ordnance Factories and Defence Public Sector Units. DGQA is now concentrating on activities of Quality Audit and surveillance in manufacture of defence items in Ordnance Factories and Defence Public Sector Unit.

(c) Thirty Six (36) DGQA officials in four cases have been proceeded against. The cases against two officials have since been concluded and proceedings against thirty-four officials are pending.